## ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT[11]

## **Notice of Intended Action**

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 8A.104(5), the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) proposes to amend Chapter 41, "Auditing Claims," Iowa Administrative Code.

Currently, the Executive Council approves departments' requests for membership in employee organizations. A request was made by the Executive Council for DAS to provide electronic approval for both departmental directors and the Department of Management and publication on the State's transparency Web site. The process has been established, and DAS is prepared to implement that process. The amendment proposed herein revises the affected DAS administrative rule to eliminate Executive Council approval and to replace it with departmental director approval, Department of Management approval and timely disclosure to the Iowa transparency Internet site.

The Department of Administrative Services does not intend to grant waivers under the provisions of these rules, other than as may be allowed under the Department's general rules concerning waivers.

Interested persons may make written comments on the proposed amendment until 4:30 p.m. on January 29, 2013. Comments should be directed to Caleb Hunter, Department of Administrative Services, Hoover State Office Building, 1305 East Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0114. Comments may be sent by fax to (515)281-6140 or by e-mail to Caleb.Hunter@iowa.gov.

A public hearing will be held on January 29, 2013, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Room 329, Third Floor, Hoover State Office Building, 1305 East Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa, at which time persons may present their views either orally or in writing. Any persons who intend to attend the public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact and advise the Department of Administrative Services of their specific needs by calling (515)281-3351.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 8A.

The following amendment is proposed.

Amend subrule 41.7(8) as follows:

- **41.7(8)** Registration fees. The payment of registration fees which are required for participation in meetings shall be allowed. Registration fees shall be supported by the official receipt of the conference or convention subject to the following limitations:
- a. Expenditures for payment of registration fees for the purpose of obtaining the privileges of membership or other personal benefits from an organization are not reimbursable. Memberships in organizations must be in the name of the state agency and have executive council approval of the director of the department requesting the membership and of the director of the department of management and shall be published to the Iowa transparency Internet site established by Iowa Code section 8G.4.

b. and c. No change.